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Hickman's Family Farm Petition Decision Letter November 16 2017.pdf

Dear Mr. Phalen,

I'm an environmental health scientist with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry's (ATSDR's) Region 9 (San Francisco) office.

As you may know, ATSDR received a petition earlier this year from two groups, Don't Waste Arizona and Save Tonopah Oppose Poultry Plant (STOPP), to conduct a public health assessment of ammonia emissions from Hickman's Family Farms facilities in Tonopah and Arlington, Arizona.

I'm writing to share the letter ATSDR sent this week to the petitioners (attached). It explains our decision to collect air monitoring data and use that data to assess potential health risks. We would like to involve Hickman's Family Farms in this process. Could we start with a conference call in December? If so, might the weeks of 12/11 or 12/18 work for you (and any others at Hickman's Family Farms we should include)?

Finally, if you aren't familiar with ATSDR, here are some links to help you learn about our [mission](#), [petition process](#), and the kind of work we'll be doing in response to the petition – an [exposure investigation](#) and [health consultation](#).

Regards,

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